

# All Saints' Memorial Church

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10 am Holy Eucharist

Episcopal Visitation: The Right Reverend Sally French  
September 7th, 2025



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## Welcome to All Saints' Memorial Church for worship!

Whether this is your first time here, or a first time in a long time, please know a few things:

All are welcome—always!

*Restrooms* are located in the Parish Hall (the building closest to the parking lot).

The entire order of service with readings, except for the hymns, is contained in the bulletin. Hymns are sung at the 10 am service only.

Our hymns and service music are located in the *blue 1982 Hymnal*. Service music is indicated by an 'S' in the front, and is located in the front part of the Hymnal. Hymns are indicated by their number in the Hymnal.

We normally stand to sing the hymns, for the reading of the gospel and prayers; and are seated for readings, Psalm, and the homily. It is traditional to kneel for the confession.

The Sign of the Peace is to be exchanged from your own pew. Please respect your neighbor's choice of greeting whether it is by handshake, or by elbow or fist bumps, waving, bowing, or giving the peace sign to those in the pews surrounding you

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive communion* regardless of age or your faith background:

Ushers will guide you to the communion rail; you may receive communion either standing or kneeling.

We receive bread in the hand. You may retain it to dip into the cup; please be careful so fingers do not touch the wine. You may also drink from the cup if you wish.

You may also come to the altar for blessing instead; please indicate by crossing your arms over your chest, or tell the priest.

If you are unable to make the trip to the communion rail, please let the ushers know and communion will be brought to you.

Gluten Free wafers are available. Please let the Celebrant know.

Please join us for food and fellowship after the service in our Parish Hall!

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. If you have any questions about All Saints' or The Episcopal Church, please feel free to speak to Mother Debbie after the service.

*Restless kids? Bubble wands in Narthex (lobby/vestibule) to be used outside on patio.  
Crayons and coloring pages in a basket on back table*

*Service text and prayers are from the 1979 Book of Common Prayer;  
Prayers of the People written by The Rev. Debbie Cook in conjunction with various resources  
including Praying the Scriptures, by Jeremiah Williamson 2014 &  
Intercessions for the Christian People, Liturgical Press 1990*

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**Prelude**

*Te Deum*: Prélude. H 146  
Marc-Antoine Charpentier, 1682

*Please Stand as able*

**Processional Hymn #427**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*  
Laudes Domini

*Celebrant*            Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*             **And blessed be his Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*The Celebrant says*

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Gloria in excelsis*

*S277*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Celebrant*:        The Lord be with you  
*People*:           **And also with you**  
*Celebrant*:        Let us pray.

## Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

## READINGS

### First Reading

*Jeremiah 18:1-11*

The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: "Come, go down to the potter's house, and there I will let you hear my words." So I went down to the potter's house, and there he was working at his wheel. The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

Then the word of the LORD came to me: Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the LORD. Just like the clay in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel. At one moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom, that I will pluck up and break down and destroy it, but if that nation, concerning which I have spoken, turns from its evil, I will change my mind about the disaster that I intended to bring on it. And at another moment I may declare concerning a nation or a kingdom that I will build and plant it, but if it does evil in my sight, not listening to my voice, then I will change my mind about the good that I had intended to do to it. Now, therefore, say to the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: Thus says the LORD: Look, I am a potter shaping evil against you and devising a plan against you. Turn now, all of you from your evil way, and amend your ways and your doings.

*Reader*    The Word of the Lord.

*People*    **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

*Plainsong, Tone V.1*

- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; \*  
you know my sitting down and my rising up;  
you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places \*  
and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, \*  
but you, O LORD, know it altogether.

- 4 You press upon me behind and before \*  
and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; \*  
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; \*  
you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; \*  
your works are wonderful, and I know it well.
- 14 My body was not hidden from you, \*  
while I was being made in secret  
and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;  
all of them were written in your book; \*  
they were fashioned day by day,  
when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! \*  
how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; \*  
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

## **Second Reading**

*Philemon 1-21*

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother,  
To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our  
fellow soldier, and to the church in your house:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of  
your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus. I pray that the  
sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we  
may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your  
love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.

For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your  
duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love-- and I, Paul, do this as  
an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for  
my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment.

Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me.  
I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with  
me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for

the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother-- especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

*Reader*                      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*                      **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as able*

**Sequence Hymn #516**

*Come down, O Love Divine*  
*Down Ampney*

**The Holy Gospel**

*Luke 14:25-33*

*Deacon:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

*People::*    **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

*Deacon*                      The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*                      **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated*

**Sermon**

The Right Reverend Sally French

*Please stand as able*

**Nicene Creed** *(say together)*

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He has spoken through the Prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Prayers of the People** *(remain standing as able)*

*Deacon:* Lord, you know our sitting down and our rising up, and are acquainted with all our ways. Even the very words of our lips are known altogether. We lift up our prayers to you, say: In your mercy Lord; **Rework us and restore us.**

*Leader:* For the leaders of the church, particularly Presiding Bishop Rowe and our Bishop, Sally French, that they may be single hearted in their love of the Lord and in service to the people; In your mercy, Lord: **Rework us and restore us.**

For the leaders of all nations, that they may choose ways of life and not death; justice and not oppression; peace and not violence and war. In your mercy, Lord: **Rework us and restore us.**

For the imprisoned and oppressed, the lonely and abandoned, that they may know the love of Christ through the love and care of others in this and the surrounding community. In your mercy, Lord; **Rework us and restore us.**

For those who decide to follow Jesus, that they, and we, may be willing count the cost and joyfully embrace the journey to which it calls them and us. In your mercy, Lord; **Rework us and restore us.**

For all those who serve in our communities and armed forces that they may know your protection and guidance; we pray particularly for service members, first responders and health care workers,: David, Max, Ryan, John, Neema, Anthony, Pat, Bonnie, Jessie, Trent, Candy, Erin, Nick, Andrew and Jeremy. In your mercy, Lord: **Rework us and restore us.**

For all those in pain and those struggling in body, mind or soul; heal them as only you can, and help us to be agents of your care. We remember this day: Joe, Deb, Ibby, Christl, Bill, Dot, Cecilia, Tricia, Lucy, Marlene, Jim, Vinnie, Michelle, Mark, Justin, Barbara, Michael, Kelly, Patric, Jimmy, Lisa, Maureen, Kathy, Valerie, Chris, John, Pam, Clara & John, Ray, Elsie, Libby, Georgia. In your mercy, Lord; **Rework us and restore us.**

For all those who have died, particularly Frank G. and Deacons Sally Mauer and Carolsue Cummings, may they be raised to new life with Christ. Comfort those who mourn and sustain them in your love. In your mercy, Lord; **Rework us and restore us.**

We invite your own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving at this time, either silently or aloud....



Celebrant: We thank you for your wonderful works of which we are a part. Hear our prayers, we ask, and continue to fashion us into an ever closer likeness of you. All this we ask through God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Please kneel or remain standing for the Confession:*

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence.*

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Priest says*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace** *(please stand)*

*Celebrant*  
*People*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

## **Announcements for Mission and Ministry**

*Thanksgivings and prayers for special intentions.*

## *Blessing of the Backpacks*

Almighty God, we bring before you these instruments of teaching and of learning. We pray that your Holy Spirit of wisdom go forth with all who carry them this year: that all bearers of briefcases and of backpacks will rest secure in the knowledge of your abiding strength, peace and love. May they, like the young Jesus, grow in wisdom, in stature, and in favor with God and with society. *Amen.*

## **Holy Communion**

### **Offertory Anthem**

*You, Lord, We Praise in Songs of Celebration*  
Miltenberger Processionale, 15<sup>th</sup> Cen

### **Doxology #380, vs. 3** *(please stand as able)*

*Old 100th*

### **Eucharistic Prayer A**

*(please stand as able)*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

*SI25*

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant continues and the people stand as able:*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took 10

bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

*(Together)*

**Our Father, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy Name,**

**thy kingdom come,**

**thy will be done,**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,**

**for ever and ever. Amen**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*S154*

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread; A period of silence is kept*

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for you, the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

## **Communion Hymn #474**

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
Rockingham

*Please be seated until you can come forward to receive; usher will guide you.. All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We receive bread in the hand. You may retain it to dip into the cup; please be careful so fingers do not touch the wine. You may also drink from the cup. For those worshipping with us online, you are invited to use the Prayer for Spiritual Communion.*

*After Communion, all stand for the final prayer and blessing.*

*The Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Episcopal Blessing**

## **Recessional Hymn #594**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*  
Cwm Rhondda

## **Dismissal**

*Deacon*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Prelude, Symphonies de Fanfares: Rondeau*  
Jean-Joseph Mouret, 1729

*For those worshipping with us online*  
**A Prayer for Spiritual Communion**

In union, O Lord, with your faithful people at every altar of your Church, where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, I desire to offer to you praise and thanksgiving. I remember your death, Lord Christ; I proclaim your resurrection; I await your coming in glory. Since I cannot receive you today in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you.  
May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

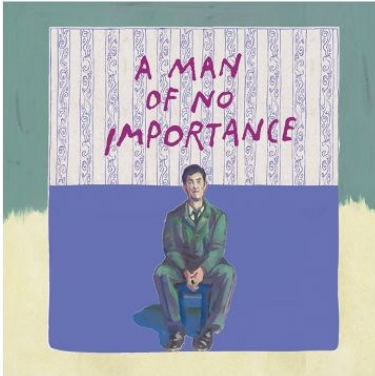


## Blessing of the Animals

**Saturday, October 4th at 1 pm**

Please bring your pet—cat, dog, bunny, bird, reptile, fish, etc.—on a leash or in a crate, cage or other container. As always, if your pet is unable to join us, please feel free to bring a photo instead. We will also say prayers for those who have lost pets in the past year. Make sure to tell your friends and neighbors! This popular community event is scheduled to be held outside in our sheds/parking area (weather permitting)

## The Stone Church Players Present



## *A Man of No Importance - The Musical*

**October 10-12**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

## Candlelight Concert

**Sunday, November 16th**

**Winterfest--bigger and  
better than ever!**

**Saturday, December 6th**

**More info coming soon!**



*Sunday School  
Starts  
Next Sunday  
September 14th*

*All welcome!*

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**Men's Breakfast, Prayer  
and Bible Study**

*8:15 am. Breakfast in Rectory,  
9:00 am Bible Study*

*Second Saturday of the month.  
September 13th*

Open to men/youth of the parish and their  
guests. Contact Jim Cook



**TODAY'S PLATE OFFERING  
IS DEDICATED TO THE  
BISHOP'S DISCRETIONARY FUND  
PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

## **Calendar of Events**

### **Sunday, September 7th**

**Episcopal Visitation with Bishop French**

***ONE SERVICE ONLY***

***10:00 am Choral Holy Eucharist (livestreamed)***

***Coffee Hour Reception***

### **Tuesday, September 9th**

***1:30 pm Chair Yoga with Laura in Parish Hall***

***6:00 pm Yoga with Laura in Parish Hall***

### **Wednesday, September 10th**

***6:00 pm Dual Recovery Meeting in Hall***

### **Thursday, September 11th**

***7:00 pm Vestry meeting in Hall and on Zoom***

### **Saturday, September 13th**

***8:00 to 9:30 am AA Meeting in Parish Hall***

***8:15 am Men's Breakfast, Prayer and Study***

### **Sunday, September 14th**

***8:00 am Holy Eucharist in the Church***

***10:00 am Sunday School in Hall***

***10:00 Choral Holy Eucharist in Church (livestreamed)***

***Coffee Hour***

**Monday through Thursday evenings through Oct 9**

***Stone Church Players Rehearsals in Church***